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Ben Brancel, Secretary

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TO: Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

FROM: Ben Brancel, Secretary *Ben Brancel*
John Petty, Administrator, Agricultural Resource Management Division *John Petty*

SUBJECT: Exotic Pest Report

PRESENTED BY: Melody Walker and Christopher Deegan, Plant Industry Bureau

RECOMMENDATION: This is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Staff will provide a discussion of DATCP's role and the various factors that DATCP evaluates in determining what level of response is appropriate to address a particular plant pest. Typically the response to a pest needs to be adjusted over time to take into consideration the changing population dynamics and distribution of the pest or other considerations and this will be discussed as well. Staff will also provide a brief overview of the plans for the 2013 Gypsy Moth Slow-the-Spread program.

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